

Minutes of ECSU Executive Meeting Lent V

Held on 14 February 2010 at 5pm
Old Court Museum



In attendance: Luke Montague, Vidur Khanna, Charlotte McClean, Ben Spurgen, Alison Underwood, Maiuran Chandrakumaran, Tom Marriott, Elliott Dobson, Sam Freeman, Clem Edwards, Harry Wyatt, Amadea Bentheim, William Woodhead, Henry Ogden, Richard Chew, Kim Roper, Aidan Hopkins

Apologies: Sara Montakhab, Yvonne Zhang

Absent:

1. Recap

Vidur has been in contact with Talking Tees regarding Stash. He will send information to the Exec and collect orders.

Freshers Rep applications have been received. Interviews will take place this week.

Following Green Week, Aidan suggested that a bike-fixing service be provided more regularly. The Exec supported this idea and funding will be provided.

2. Room Open Days

These have been scheduled for 27th February (current second years) and 6th March (current first years). It was agreed that rooms should be available from 12-4pm. Guides will need to be written for accommodation, as well signs for the Open Days themselves. Certain members of the Exec who live in different locations will write these.

The Online Rooms Database and Open Days will be publicised in What's On.

Exec members will send Luke a guide for their accommodation, including directions and a brief description, by next Sunday (as agreed).

Luke will compile the guides, and collect some from third year students. He will also ensure that there is access to the New Cloisters.

3. Alternative Prospectus

Luke explained that most of the current alternative prospectus is still relevant, but that the photographs need updating. Dr Barnes will give a prize to the person who provides the best photographic representation of Emma.

To be advertised in ROAR! and What's On. Photographs to be sent to Luke by 24th February.

4. Till PCs

After the price rise in the bar, the old PCs are now at the disposal of ECSU. Harry would like the touch-screen computer for the shop. The other PC will be kept for now, but may

be donated to charity, as ECSU has no other use for it.

Harry will take the touch screen PC!

5. Scudamore's Punting

Ben explained that he has been offered a deal by this company whereby Emma students would receive discounted punt hire for a yearly fee of £147. This was a popular idea with the Exec. As the deal begins on 1st April, it will not be advertised until next term.

To be advertised in the first What's On and ROAR! edition of Easter term.

6. Kitchen Comments

Maiuran has compiled a selection of comments from the new online system, which he will present to the catering staff. The Exec offered a few more suggestions.

7. Kit Store

Charlotte reported that there has not been much response by sports captains.

To be advertised prominently in What's On. Exec members will remind their friends about this facility.

8. Book Swap Scheme

Kim raised concerns about JCR members using the MCR without being invited. There have been occasions where the MCR has been left untidy, and a pool cue has been broken. She asked ECSU to remind undergraduates that they shouldn't be in the MCR without being invited and accompanied by an MCR member.

A gentle reminder will be put in What's On.

Kim will get in touch with the Pool Club captain to establish arrangements for use of the MCR pool table.

9. Summer Welfare Ideas

Clem and Sam showed the Exec the many and varied suggestions received at the Summer Welfare Ideas Session. Most were reasonable, and they will look into costs. There were several requests for sporting activities (karate, aquaerobics, etc.). There were also suggestions that some activities be held at external accommodation, so that students did not always have to come into College (e.g. a BBQ at Barnwell).

Clem and Sam will look into the feasibility of ideas and draw up a provisional timetable.

10. Book Swap Scheme

Richard told the Exec about his idea for a free Book Swap scheme, whereby students

would donate used fiction to an informal library. Kim explained that there is a similar system in the MCR, which also includes used Travel Guides. It was suggested that a bookcase could be put in the Old JCR for this purpose.

Luke will bring this item up in the next Masters & Tutors meeting.

Richard will speak to maintenance/housekeeping about ordering a bookcase.

To be advertised in the final ROAR! of term, encouraging students to bring a couple of books from home.

To be advertised in a What's On email sent near the end of the vacation.

The Exec will contribute a couple of titles each.

After the meeting, the Exec spent a happy time packing Goodie Bags for their fellow students. ☺

Next meeting: 21 February 2010 at 5pm

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